IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A video signal processing apparatus for processing a video signal,

comprising:

a metadata notation format identification block for identifying a notation format

of metadata written in a predetermined language;

a conversion table selection block for selecting a conversion table corresponding

to said identified notation format of said metadata from among one or more conversion tables

prepared in advance;

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format

of said metadata into a notation format compatible with said video signal processing apparatus

on the basis of said selected conversion table; and

a processing control block for controlling processing associated with said video

signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted.

2. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said predetermined language is a markup language.

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3. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein

said markup language is XML.

4. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 3, wherein

said metadata notation format conversion block is an XSLT engine.

5. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein

said metadata notation formation identification block detects a tag from said metadata written in

said markup language, thereby identifying said notation format of said metadata.

6. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said video signal processing apparatus is a video signal recording apparatus for recording said

video signal to a recording medium.

7. (Original) The video signal processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said video signal processing apparatus is a video signal reproduction apparatus for reproducing

said video signal.

8. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium storing a program for

making a computer function as a video signal processing apparatus comprising:

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a metadata notation format identification block for identifying a notation format

of metadata written in a predetermined language;

a conversion table selection block for selecting a conversion table corresponding

to said identified notation format of said metadata from among one or more conversion tables

prepared in advance:

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format

of said metadata into a notation format compatible with said video signal processing apparatus

on the basis of said selected conversion table; and

a processing control block for controlling processing associated with said video

signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted.

9. (Original) A processing method for a video signal processing apparatus for

processing a video signal, comprising the steps of:

identifying a notation format of metadata written in a predetermined language;

selecting a conversion table corresponding to said identified notation format of

said metadata from among one or more conversion tables prepared in advance;

converting said notation format of said metadata into a notation format

compatible with said video signal processing apparatus on the basis of said selected conversion

table; and

controlling processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said

metadata whose notation format has been converted.

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10. (Original) A video signal recording apparatus for recording a video signal to a

recording medium, comprising:

a metadata generating block for generating metadata associated with said video

signal by writing said metadata in a predetermined language;

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting at least a notation

format of said generated metadata into a notation format compatible with a video signal

reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal recorded to said recording medium, on

the basis of one or more conversion tables prepared in advance; and

a video signal recording block for recording said metadata whose notation format

has been converted and said video signal in a related manner so as to allow said video signal

reproduction apparatus to control processing associated with said video signal on the basis of

said metadata.

11. (Original) The video signal recording apparatus according to claim 10 wherein

said predetermined language is a markup language.

12. (Original) The video signal recording apparatus according to claim 11,

wherein said markup language is XML.

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13. (Original) The video signal recording apparatus according to claim 12,

wherein said metadata notation format conversion block is an XSLT engine.

14. (Original) The video signal recording apparatus according to claim 10,

wherein said recording medium is an optical disk.

15. (Original) The video signal recording apparatus according to claim 10, further

comprising: a conversion table selection block for selecting a conversion table corresponding to

said notation format of said metadata at least compatible with said video signal reproduction

processing, from among one or more conversion tables, wherein said metadata notation format

conversion block converts at least said notation format of said generated metadata into a notation

format compatible with said video signal reproduction apparatus on the basis of a conversion

table selected by said conversion table selection block.

16. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for

making a computer function as a video signal recording apparatus for recording a video signal to

a recording medium, comprising:

a metadata generating block for generating metadata associated with said video

signal by writing said metadata in a predetermined language;

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting at least a notation

format of said generated metadata into a notation format compatible with a video signal

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reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal recorded to said recording medium, on

the basis of one or more conversion tables prepared in advance; and

a video signal recording block for recording said metadata whose notation format

has been converted and said video signal in a related manner so as to allow said video signal

reproduction apparatus to control processing associated with said video signal on the basis of

said metadata.

17. (Original) A processing method for a video signal recording apparatus for

recording a video signal to a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

generating metadata associated with said video signal by writing said metadata in

a predetermined language;

converting at least a notation format of said generated metadata into a notation

format compatible with a video signal reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal

recorded to said recording medium, on the basis of one or more conversion tables prepared in

advance; and

recording said metadata whose notation format has been converted and said video

signal in a related manner so as to allow said video signal reproduction apparatus to control

processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said metadata.

18. (Original) A video signal recording apparatus for recording a video signal to a

recording medium, comprising:

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a metadata generating block for generating metadata associated with said video

signal by writing said metadata in a predetermined language; a conversion table selection block

for selecting at least one conversion table from among one or more conversion tables prepared in

advance; and a video signal recording block for recording at least said generated metadata, said

selected conversion table, and said video signal in a related manner to said recording medium so

as to allow a video signal reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal recorded to

said recording medium to control processing associated with said video signal on the basis of

said metadata.

19. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for

making a computer function as a video signal recording apparatus for recording a video signal to

a recording medium, comprising:

a metadata generating block for generating metadata associated with said video

signal by writing said metadata in a predetermined language;

a conversion table selection block for selecting at least one conversion table from

among one or more conversion tables prepared in advance; and

a video signal recording block for recording at least said generated metadata, said

selected conversion table, and said video signal in a related manner so as to allow a video signal

reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal recorded to said recording medium to

control processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said metadata.

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20. (Original) A processing method for a video signal recording apparatus for

recording a video signal to a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

generating metadata associated with said video signal by writing said metadata in

a predetermined language; selecting at least one conversion table from among one or more

conversion tables prepared in advance; and recording at least said generated metadata, said

selected conversion table, and said video signal in a related manner so as to allow a video signal

reproduction apparatus for reproducing said video signal recorded to said recording medium to

control processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said metadata.

21. (Original) A video signal reproduction apparatus for reproducing a video

signal recorded to a recording medium, comprising:

a metadata reading block for reading metadata written in a predetermined

language and at least one conversion table corresponding to a notation format of said metadata

from said recording medium in which said video signal is recorded;

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format

of said metadata read from said recording medium into a notation format compatible with said

video signal reproduction apparatus on the basis of said at least one read conversion table; and

a processing control block for controlling processing associated with said video

signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted.

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22. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium recording a program for making a computer function as a video signal reproduction apparatus for reproducing a video

signal recorded to a recording medium, comprising:

from said recording medium in which said video signal is recorded:

a metadata reading block for reading metadata written in a predetermined language and at least one conversion table corresponding to a notation format of said metadata

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format of said metadata read from said recording medium into a notation format compatible with said

video signal reproduction apparatus on the basis of said at least one read conversion table; and

a processing control block for controlling processing associated with said video

signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted.

23. (Original) A processing method for a video signal reproduction apparatus for

reproducing a video signal recorded to a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

reading metadata written in a predetermined language and at least one conversion table corresponding to a notation format of said metadata from said recording medium in which

said video signal is recorded;

converting said notation format of said metadata read from said recording medium into a notation format compatible with said video signal reproduction apparatus on the

basis of said at least one read conversion table; and

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controlling processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted.

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